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HAMLIN SMOKED OUT.

Pleads For a Seventh Term Before a Small Crowd.

Courtney W. Hamlin, congressman for this district for twelve years and a candidate for life, spoke to some more of the faithful last night in front of the court house. Mr. Hamlin devoted most of his speech in laudation of the present administration, seeking of course, to leave the impression that HE was an important cog in the machinery that has woven so much constructive legislation into the woof and warp of the country's laws.

Mr. Hamlin laid much stress on his experience, and we believe as he does, that experience is essential and that most men profit thereby. But in Hamlin's case, we would resort to the records for proof that he has profited and just how much weight his ability carries with his associates in the House. When the House was re-organized under the Democratic administration, Mr. Hamlin was made chairman of a committee known as "Expenditures in the State Department," a dead committee that had not had a meeting for years and years, and was of so little importance that few knew of its existence.

Mr. Hamlin also spoke of the Springfield Leader opposing him, and again, in this instance, he would leave a wrong impression, that the opposition to him in Greene county is confined to this paper. Now, as a matter of fact, a majority of the Greene County Democrats are opposing him, and in the primary of 1914, his opponent defeated him in his own county, in his own city and in his own precinct. He expects now as then that the Democrats away from home will carry him through.

Mr. Hamlin said further that he was running on his record. The Democrats of Lafayette county are content that he should do this, and not run on the record of President Wilson or any of the great leaders in the House of Representatives.

Advertising Car No. 1 of the John Robinson's Ten Big Shows, which will exhibit here Thursday, August 10th was here yesterday.

Death of Mrs. Frances E. McFadin.

Mrs. Frances Eveline McFadin, widow of the late John McFadin, died Wednesday morning at 2:50 o'clock at her home, 231 N. 16th street, after an illness of several weeks. Her death was due to old age and general debility.

Mrs. McFadin was born and raised on a farm four miles east of Lexington. She was born July 10, 1836, and was a few days over 80 years of age. On May 30, 1854, she was married to John McFadin. To this union seven children were born and survive, John F. McFadin of Woodward County, Okla.; M. C., Joseph A., Lee J., of this city; Mrs. Mattie B. Wamsley of Clayton, N. M.; Mrs. R. Nicholson of Kansas City, and Mrs. F. L. Shelby of this city.

Mrs. McFadin was a true Christian woman, ever doing all in her power for those about her, and ever ready to help anyone in trouble. She lived to the fullness of life and when the death came she was surrounded by those she loved and those who loved her—her children.

The funeral services conducted by Rev. Richard W. Wallace, assisted by Rev. T. M. Cobb, was held from the home yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Burial was in Machpelah.

Sudden Death of a Child.

Elizabeth Wilcox, the only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Wilcox, 1708 Franklin street, died Monday forenoon at 11:30 o'clock after an illness of only twenty minutes of acute indigestion. The little girl was playing with other children at the home of Miss Sarah Grady when taken ill, and before medical aid could reach her, life was almost extinct.

Elizabeth was born near Odessa, May 25, 1912. Mr. and Mrs. Wilcox have the sympathy of the whole community in their sudden bereavement. The little girl was a favorite in the neighborhood and will be missed by so many other than those in the home. Burial was in Mt. Tabor cemetery near Odessa.

Miss Eunice McClure, who has been visiting at the home of Rev. F. M. Burton returned yesterday to her home in Hughesville.



To the Democrats of Lafayette County:

For more than THIRTY YEARS the Democrats of Howard County have been voting for the favorite sons of other counties for Congressman in this District. We furnish the second largest Democratic majority of any county in the District. Am I asking too much for my county when I ask that we be accorded the honor of naming the man once in THIRTY-TWO YEARS?

The first I ask is GOOD to Mr. Hamlin. Besides giving him the honor for TWELVE YEARS we have enabled him to draw from the Government, besides his expenses in going to and returning from Washington, the snug sum of EIGHTY-FIVE THOUSAND (\$85,000.00) DOLLARS.

When Mr. Hamlin was nominated he defeated Judge Conroy of Saline County who had held the office only six years. At that time Mr. Hamlin contended that six years was long enough for one man to hold the office and long enough for one county to have the honor of electing the Congressman. He has now held the office just as long as Judge Conroy did and if his argument was proper then IT SURELY OUGHT TO BE GOOD NOW. But we are now told by Mr. Hamlin that it would be poor business to take up a new and inexperienced man and that it does not pay to swap horses in mid-stream. It is true that he was experienced when he was elected, the only office he had ever held being city attorney of Bolivar for two years and a member of the school board of Springfield for six years. The only offices I have ever held have been Prosecuting Attorney of my county for six years and a member of the Missouri Senate for four years, but in the latter office we amend, repeal, and make laws. We work under the same rules in Jefferson as we do in Washington and if we know how it is done in one place we ought to know how it is done in the other. So you see I am not "a new and inexperienced man" as my friend would have you believe, but have had far more experience in legislative matters than he had at the time he offered himself as a competent and qualified man for this same position. I invite a comparison of my record in Jefferson City with his in Washington as to what we each accomplished in the respective legislative halls.

Now as to changing horses in mid-stream. There is never any risk in changing horses in the middle of the stream WHERE YOU KNOW BOTH HORSES.

We now hear the argument advanced from certain quarters that a Congressman cannot get started in six terms, TWELVE YEARS, and this may be true in so far as it concerns certain Congressmen, but as a general proposition I do not believe it to be true in Congress or elsewhere, and neither do you.

The position now taken by these gentlemen simply means a life tenure in office. The chief distinction between an autocratic and democratic government is ROTATION IN OFFICE, and is one of the cardinal principles of the Democratic party. Whenever a man, I care not who he is, gets the idea into his head that you cannot get along without him, IT IS THEN TIME TO TRY AND SEE WHETHER YOU CAN GET ALONG WITHOUT HIM. We have something like 24,000 Democrats in this District and we surely have more than the one individual who can capably represent us in Congress.

I feel that we are entitled to this honor this time and want you to help me. While I am busy in the other counties, won't you look after my interests in your county? Every vote will count. Your active support and influence would, I assure you, be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,
SAM C. MAJOR.

Gilbert Washington, who is charged with stealing chickens, was given his preliminary hearing Wednesday in Mayview before Justice of the Peace T. T. Packett. Gilbert was bound over to the criminal court.

Mrs. Mary C. Stover returned to her home in Marshall Saturday after a visit here with Mrs. Chas. Fize.

William Stonestreet of St. Louis arrived yesterday for a visit here with his mother, Mrs. Fannie Stonestreet.

Miss Laura Wilson went to Warrensburg Tuesday for a few days' visit.

Mrs. George Cooper who has been visiting her sister, Mrs. J. G. Crenshaw, returned Wednesday morning to her home in Kansas City.

Mr. and Mrs. Jackson Price and little daughter, Virginia Louise, left Wednesday for their home in St. Louis after a visit here with relatives.

Mrs. Mora Tracey returned to her home in Kansas City Tuesday morning after a visit here with relatives.

Mrs. Vince Owens went to Napoleon Tuesday for a visit with her mother, Mrs. John Strodtman.

Teachers' Examination.

The August Teachers' Examination will be held in the High School building in Lexington, Friday and Saturday, August 4 and 5, 1916. The examination will begin at 8:00 p. m. and close at 6:00 p. m. each day.

Order of Subjects.

Friday Morning—Geography, Language, Spelling, Algebra.

Friday Afternoon—Grammar, Arithmetic, Literature, Reading.

Saturday Morning—Civil government, U. S. History, Agriculture, Adv. Science, Algebra.

Saturday Afternoon—Physiology, Writing, Pedagogy, Literature, Adv. Science.

H. T. Phillips,
County Supt. of Schools.

Police Court.

Business at the Police court has begun to pick up Monday morning there were six cases tried before Judge D. L. Mountain. Curt Hutchinson, John Pool, James Murphy, and Tom Kelly were arrested Saturday for vagrancy and were given a few minutes to leave the city. Frank Miller charged with being drunk was also ordered out of town. Arthur Collins, of Higginsville was charged with being drunk and was assessed \$5.30.

Notice to Property Owners in Lexington Special Road District.

You are hereby notified to cut and remove all brush, weeds, etc., along your property adjoining the public highway. Also to remove from the ditches all trash and weeds.

G. W. Fredendall, Pres.
W. B. Waddell, Clerk.

Wallace Crossley of Warrensburg, Democratic candidate for Lieutenant-Governor, spent Saturday evening in Lexington. Mr. Crossley will be nominated next Tuesday with votes to spare. The Seventeenth senatorial district will vote almost unanimously for him.

Miss Laura Davis of Kansas City arrived yesterday for a few days' visit here with relatives.

James Shull went to Kansas City Saturday to attend the opening races of Kansas City's new speedway.

Mrs. J. M. Ferguson and daughter, Clara, returned to their home in Kansas City Saturday. Mrs. Chas. Henry.

JOHN P. GORDON FILES DAMAGE SUITS

Each Suit for \$50,000. Globe-Democrat and Post-Dispatch Defendants.

John P. Gordon Wednesday through his attorneys, Yates, Goble & Alford of Kansas City, brought a suit for \$50,000 damages against the Globe-Democrat, and one for a like amount against the Post-Dispatch, both of St. Louis. The suits were filed here.

Death of Frances Chedotte.

Frances Chedotte, a native of France, but a citizen of Lexington for the past twenty-six years, died Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at his home in the South Side addition. His death was due to dropsy.

Mr. Chedotte was born in France, and was 62 years of age. He is survived by two sons, Frank and Louis, both living at home. Two stepsons also survive him.

The funeral was held from the home yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

1900 Officers Promoted.

Among the 1000 officers of the regular army recently promoted to the next highest grade are R. P. Palmer, regular army detail at Wentworth Military Academy, from first lieutenant to Captain, and G. B. Pritchard, a former detail at Wentworth, from Captain to Major. Never before in the history of this country has a president been able to reward at one stroke so many officers of the land-arm of the United States service.

A Card.

We desire to thank our many kind neighbors and friends for their ministrations during the death of our beloved little daughter, Elizabeth, and also for the beautiful floral offerings. We assure them that such kindness will not be forgotten, and coming in our hour of bereavement, will be all the more appreciated.

Mr. and Mrs. Andy Wilcox.

Keith-Dillingham.

Mr. George H. Keith and Miss Bertha Dillingham, both of Odessa, were married Saturday in the Recorder's office. Rev. R. N. Allen, pastor of the Methodist church, performed the ceremony.

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